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(2) (U) CHINA: ADJUSTMENTS TO MANPOWER REDUCTION
(U) CHINA'S MANPOWER REDUCTION PROGRAM TO CUT THE ARMY'S
STRENGTH BY ONE MILLION HAS FORCED SOME UNITS TO EMPLOY VARIOUS

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MEASURES TO FILL THE VOID LEFT BY DEMOBILIZED PERSONNEL. THE CHINESE PRESS HAS REPORTED THAT SOME DIVISIONS MAY BE ELIMINATING DEPUTY POSITIONS AT THE BATTALION AND COMPANY LEVEL. ADDITIONALLY, SOME UNITS ARE COPING WITH THE SHORTAGE OF POLITICAL CADRE BY SELECTING QUALIFIED SOLDIERS FROM THE RANKS TO ASSUME WORK PREVIOUSLY DONE BY POLITICAL CADRE.

(C) [REDACTED] IT IS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER THE METHODS NOTED ARE WIDESPREAD OR REPRESENT LOCALIZED SOLUTIONS TO THE MANPOWER REDUCTIONS. ALTHOUGH BILLETTS ARE BEING ELIMINATED, THE FUNCTIONS APPEAR TO REMAIN. THE MANAGERIAL AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS OF THE POST REDUCTION COMMAND AND STAFF PERSONNEL UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE TESTED. THE CONDITIONS SHOULD PRESENT A CHALLENGE TO THESE PERSONNEL AND COULD HELP IDENTIFY FOR ADVANCEMENT CONSIDERATION THOSE WHO EXCEL. IT IS TOO EARLY TO EVALUATE WHAT EFFECT THE INCREASED WORKLOAD ON INDIVIDUAL STAFF MEMBERS WILL HAVE ON THE OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES OF THE FIELD UNIT.

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